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This paper is submitted in response to the office action  
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above referenced application.

In the interest of expediting the prosecution of the above  
referenced application, the applicant elects prosecution of  
claims 1-10, 18-22, 24, and 27-35 that the Examiner has  
referenced as claim group I.

Applicant reserves the right to continue prosecution of the  
non-elected claims in one or more continuation applications.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the claims, allow the claims, and pass this case to issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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